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C O N F I D E N T I A L PEKING 1230

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SUBJECT: CHU TEH'S PASSING: PEKING ATMOSPHERICS

REF: BROOKS-ROH TELCON JULY 6; PEKING 1225 (NOTAL)

1. IN CONTRAST TO DEATH OF CHOU EN-LAI THAT OF CHU TEH, FIRST ANNOUNCED

OVER PEKING RADIO AT 2200 HOURS JULY 6, HAS NOT EVOKED DISCERNIBLE
EMOTION FROM PEKING'S CITIZENS. USLO OFFICERS SAW ONLY TWO BLACK ARM-
BANDS DURING THE FIRST DAY. OFFICIAL TREATMENT IS ALSO LOWER KEY, ABOUT

LIKE THAT FOLLOWING DEATH OF TUNG PI-WU AND KANG SHENG. NORMAL
RADIO PROGRAMMING HAS CONTINUED WITH ONLY 10-15 MINUTES HOURLY
GIVE OVER THE ANNOUNCEMENTS RELATED TO THE DEATH. SECURITY PRECAUTIONS

HAVE BEEN HEIGHTENED, BUT ONLY VERY SLIGHTLY.

2. AFTER AN INITIAL PERIOD OF INACTIVITY JULY 6 AT THE GREAT HALL OF
THE PEOPLE, HUNG CHI LIMOUSINES APPEARED AND LIGHTS FLASHED
ON AROUND MIDNIGHT. WE PRESUME THIS WAS A MEETING TO
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DISCUSS FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS.

3. USLO AND OTHER MISSIONS HAVE LOWERED FLAGS
TO HALF-MAST AND POSTPONED SOCIAL AFFAIRS FOR THE PERIOD OF
NATIONAL MOURNING THROUGH JULY 11. USLO'S CANCELLATION OF
SCHEDULED MOVIE SHOWINGS AT THE INTERNATIONAL CLUB ELICITED
FROM THE CLUB STAFF AN EXPRESSION OF "APPRECIATION FOR THE
FRIENDLY GESTURE."
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